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Are there enough Republicans left to bury the dead?

Boys, "Free Trade" has lost its searing power, don't it?

The smallest man in the country today is Benjamin Harrison.

The Republican papers of last week are all short on election news.

Bye, bye, Bill McKinley. It will soon be, farewell, McKinley bill.

It was not only a victory for Democracy, but a triumph for the people.

Did any one remark that Bryan wouldn't prove a winner? We guess not.

Filley's defeat, in St. Louis and Missouri is overwhelming and complete.

Now for a lightening of the burdens of the poor and a tax upon the incomes of the rich.

We feel sorry for our Republican friends, but we're happy on the country's account.

Kossuth W. Weber, is "such a nice man," but Jasper is a Democratic war horse and easily won.

The "beneficent system of protection" seems to be badly disfigured, if not wholly out of the ring.

Reed's photographs of the House do not seem to have been very potent in securing Republican votes.

The Democratic majority in Illinois is 35,000. The "sucker State" is no longer in the doubtful column.

What has become of all that opposition to Senator Vest? It's in the soup with all else that is Republican.

The REGISTER remarked some weeks since that it would be ex-Congressman Light Weight after the 4th of March next.

For the first time in her history Missouri will next year have fourteen Democratic Congressmen at Washington.

Do the Iron county "statesmen" still insist that the McKinley bill is just what the country needs and demands?

Our esteemed cotemporary, the New York Sun didn't see so far into the tariff millstone as it thought—not this year.

Light Weight in his speech at Ironton said, "the McKinley bill is a grand thing!" What does Mr. Kinsey think about it now?

The Democratic majority in Missouri is 50,000. It will now be in order for the Republicans to talk about capturing the state in 1892.

The Australian ballot law must be made to cover every precinct in the State. It is a good thing for the town and just as good for the country.

The Ironton Post G. A. R. has secured a full revenge on Wm. M. Kinsey, whose action as Congressman they "censured and condemned."

The American people have demonstrated the fact that they are abundantly able to take care of themselves. This means the death of the g. o. p.

The result is an unmistakable censure and condemnation of the Harrison administration, as well as a disapproval of high taxes and force bills.

With a Democratic majority of 96 on joint ballot in the Missouri Legislature there will not likely be any further talk of a Republican succeeding Senator Vest.

Stokes opposed the election of the Democratic nominees in Stoddard county. Result: all Democrats were chosen. This is a bad year for bolters and sore heads.

The Globe Democrat says there was "too much tariff in the McKinley bill and too much nigger in the force bill. That's what's the matter with the Republican party."

Does the foreigner pay the tariff? Last Tuesday's election would indicate that the Republican orators and editors are the only persons that take that view of the situation.

Thank heavens the Tenth District is soon to be represented at Washington by a man of ability instead of the little insignificant individual that has been there the past two years.

"Kinsey has done more for the Tenth District in two years than Clardy did in ten" was one of the Republican statements in the late campaign. The people don't think that way.

The Globe-Democrat says James G. Blaine is the only man who can lead the Republicans to victory in 1892. Jingo Jim was once beaten by the Democrats and he can be beaten again.

What was it that knocked out McKinley, Foster, Cannon, Wade, and the other tools of little Benny? The votes of the free and independent white workingmen and farmers of the country.

As the Democrats are on top, we suppose, from the talk of the Republican campaign speakers, that a closing down of the works at Bonne Terre and Crystal City may be expected to take place at once.

"Sam-damn-the-Dutch Byrns," "Jasper-never-pay-his-debts Burks," and "Rev-set-em-up Banks," all got there with both feet, and the people thus denounce the slanderers and liars of the campaign.

The McKinley Bill made Jim Blaine to smash his new silk hat. It likewise caused the people to smash the Republican party. Both may be rebeked, repaired and refurbished, but their pristine beauty is gone forever.

Three winners: "Sam-damn-the-Dutch Byrns," "Jasper-never-pay-his-debts," and "Rev-set-em-up-Banks;" in the soup—the libellers and slanderers that made Democratic success so much to be desired by all right thinking people.

And just to think how much talent (?) and time Maj. Pearce and the Light Weight consumed, all for naught, in telling the voters of that glorious tax on barytes! "And every Democratic Congressman from Missouri voted against it."

It was a campaign of education on the part of the Democrats as against a campaign of lying, slander and misrepresentation by the Republicans. The result plainly shows which policy meets with the approval of the American people.

And here's to Jasper N. Burks who so gloriously triumphed over his foes and the enemies of Democracy. John V. Noell's despicable conduct in the campaign has relegated him to private life forever. Hurrah for Jasper with his elegant majority!

We have forgotten the name of the fellow who has in keeping the pen with which President Benny signed the McKinley Bill, but it doesn't matter. The people will not lose sight of the little man who used the pen, shrink he never so small.

That ruse of the St. Joe Lead Company in increasing wages just before the election and attributing the fact to the McKinley bill doesn't seem to have fooled many Democrats into voting the Republican ticket, judging from the glorious Democratic majority at Bonne Terre last Tuesday.

James G. Blaine in his speech at Philadelphia on Saturday evening before the election said: "As Pennsylvania goes next Tuesday so goes the Nation in 1892." With Pennsylvania Democratic by over 16,000, it would seem that Mr. Blaine's opinion is that the Democrats will elect the next president.

A couple of Sundays ago we heard a "bright young Republican," of Bonne Terre remark to one of the Iron county statesmen: "Well we're going to elect a Republican State Senator over our way time." The b. y. r. was too confident, and Jasper gave them such a pounding in that district as they have not known for years.

We understand that Rob't L. Lansford, of Howell county, will be a candidate for Enrolling Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives on the assembling of the Legislature next January. The REGISTER's advice is that Mr. L. is a Democrat and in every way worthy and well qualified. We hope to see him successful.

Some Republican papers are saying that Democracy owes 87 Congressmen to the Farmers' Alliance. No doubt of it, and we are glad of it. And when the victory of 1892 shall have been announced it will be found to be due just as largely to the enlightened assistance of the yeomanry of the land, as is that of 1890. Democracy needs no better cause nor nobler ally.

In showing the glories of the McKinley bill Maj. Pearce said: "and every Democrat in the House of Congress from Missouri voted against the bill, and yet they claim to be the friends of the people." And last Tuesday's election decisively demonstrated whom the people consider their friends. Will the Major have the kindness to point out the grease spot that remains of the protection congressmen from this State, that his party may strew flowers over the vacant places?

Two months ago the REGISTER had indisputable proof that Wm. M. Kinsey, when he was a deputy grand lecturer of the Knights of Honor, in a meeting of the Grand Lodge of that body at St. Louis in 1888, said: "For- eigners are not desirable in our order, for the reason that they are nearly all heavy drinkers; especially is this so of the Germans who constitute 95 per cent. of our suicides." We didn't use it for the reason that we were engaged in a discussion of the issues of the campaign, and not delving into personalities, as were the enemy.

Maj. Chas. E. Pearce, the binder-twine lobbyist of St. Louis, who visited Ironton during the recent campaign in the interest of Wm. M. Kinsey, said: "In conclusion I wish to say a few words in relation to the gentleman that represents you in Congress. I have been in Washington for several months past and I consider I am in a position to know whereof I speak. And I say to you Missouri never had a better representative at Washington than Wm. M. Kinsey. Are you going to be so ungrateful as to refuse to send him back? I think not." It seems, though, that the "best Congressman we ever had" will have to take a back seat for a Democratic successor.

That the victory we are all celebrating is largely due to the independent, reading, thinking farmers and workmen of the country, no sane man will attempt to deny. That many of these men by reason of pre-judices and surroundings, have heretofore voted with the Republican party, is also true. But right here is where Democracy has most cause for self-gratulation: these voters have come to us after careful study of the issues which divide the parties and from conviction consequent upon that study, and are therefore with us to stay, so long as we are true to Democratic principles; so long as we continue to struggle for the rights of the "common people." The biggest victory Democracy has gained this year is the conquering of the prejudices of the people who need only be made to see the right to uphold the right.

Two years after the great Democratic tidal wave of 1874 the Republicans carried the country for the Presidency, and braved themselves for their bigger and completer triumph of 1880. And yet the political storm of 1874 surpassed that of 1890 in intensity as a tornado surpasses an ordinary autumn wind—Globe-Democrat.

The above is absolutely true, except in two of its premises: "The political storm of 1874," though very severe, did not surpass that of 1890, nor even approach it in dimensions and intensity; and the Republicans did not "carry the country for the Presidency" two years thereafter. The Democrats carried the country for Samuel J. Tilden, as the G. D. honestly announced, the day succeeding the election. Old Zach, Chandler and the Returning Boards reversed the decision of the people, later on; but, thank God! there are no Returning Boards now—nor will there be in 1892, the soundly John I. Davenport and the scholarly Henry Caut Lodge to the contrary notwithstanding.

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